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In re U.S. Patent Application of:) Group Art Unit: 2172 **RECEIVED**
Jong Bum NA *et al.*) Examiner: C. Chen JUN 17 2005
Serial Number: 09/781,291) Attorney Docket: NAJO300Abu OFFICE OF PETITIONS
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For: Optimal High-Speed Multi-Resolution Retrieval Method On Large Capacity Database

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION
FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)**

Honorable Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests revival of the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR §1.137(b).

The application became abandoned on December 30, 2004, for failure to submit a required response to an Office Action dated September 30, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 8, 2004.

The abandonment of the application for failure to prosecute was an unintentional delay. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date until the filing of this petition was unintentional.

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The following is an explanation of the delay:

During 2004, at least nine cases handled by my client, the Korean law firm Daeilpat International Patent & Law Firm, on behalf of Korea Advanced Institute Of Science And

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Technology, became abandoned for failure to prosecute. The nine cases included five issue fee payments.

In January, 2005, the undersigned received several faxes indicating that the abandonments were unintentional and requesting revival of the applications. These included a request for revival in the instant application, received on January 26, 2005. Prior to date, between January 30, 2004 and January 26, 2005, I had received no communications from the application concerning the application, despite a reminder sent on May 13, 2004.

Due to an unusually heavy workload resulting from the death of a partner in August, 2004 and the resignation of an associate in December, 2004, leaving the firm with only eight attorneys in January, 2005, I have not been able to complete the required response until today, June 15, 2005.

At no time did I believe that any of the claims of the above-identified application were unpatentable, and at no time did my client indicate an intent to abandon the application.

The required reply, in the form of an Amendment and Response, is attached.

The application status is small entity. Enclosed is a check for the petition fee of \$750.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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